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Please note that the Fund typically has a risk of high volatility.



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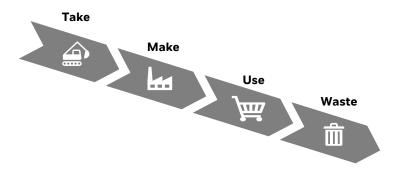
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### What is the Circular Economy?

The move from a take, make, use and waste economy to one in which goods are recycled, reused and used for longer to design waste out of the system

#### From a linear economy...

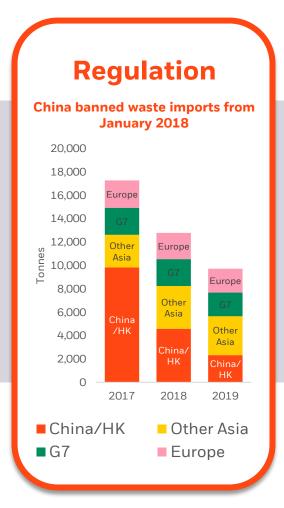


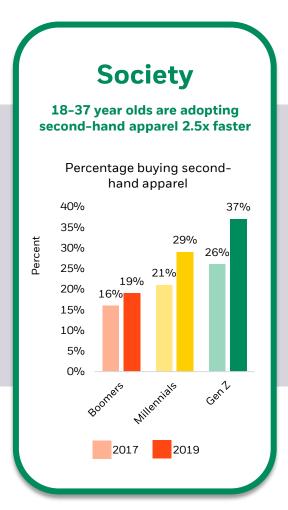
#### ....to a Circular Economy - regenerative by design

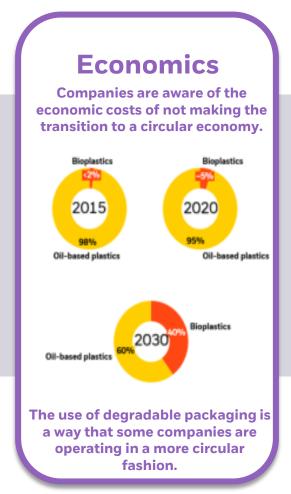


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#### Major factors driving the shift towards a circular economy

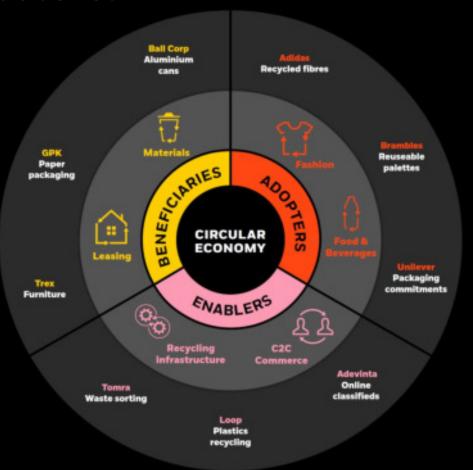




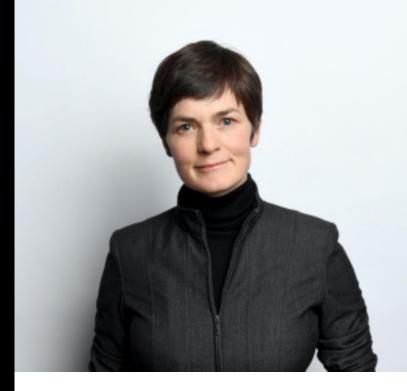


Source: Regulation: UN Comtrade data, 31/12/20; Society: ThredUp US GlobalData Survey US, 31/01/19, Economics: Berenberg 30/06/18.

## Global investment opportunities from disruption across multiple industries



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"We are trying to change a system, not one business.

We need to change the way people think, the way things are designed, the materials that are put into them..."

Dame Ellen MacArthur

#### Collaboration with the Ellen MacArthur Foundation

The Ellen MacArthur Foundation (EMF)

A charity and global thought leader whose mission is to accelerate the transition to a Circular Economy

New Plastics Economy Global Commitment ~200 companies have become signatories to EMF's Global Commitment, these include: Nestle, Adidas and L'Oreal

Global partners include

BlackRock, Google, Philips, Renault and H&M

EMF partnership with BlackRock

EMF acts as a Knowledge Partner to BlackRock, meeting with us regularly, helping to define our investment universe and monitoring companies' progress towards Circular Economy targets

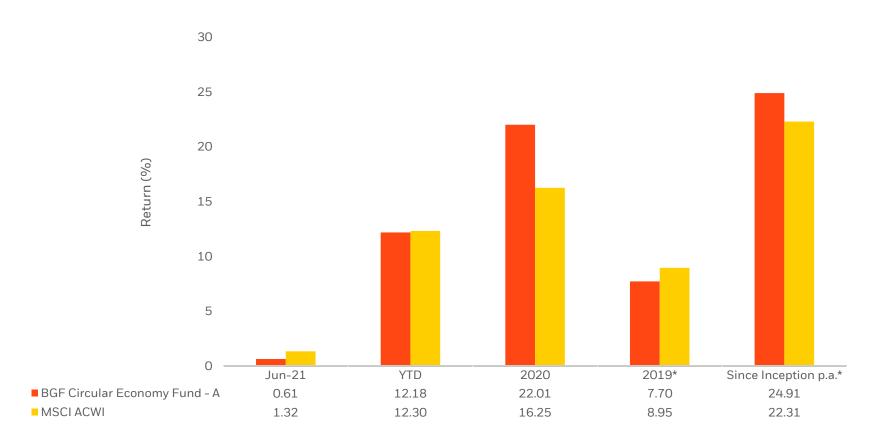




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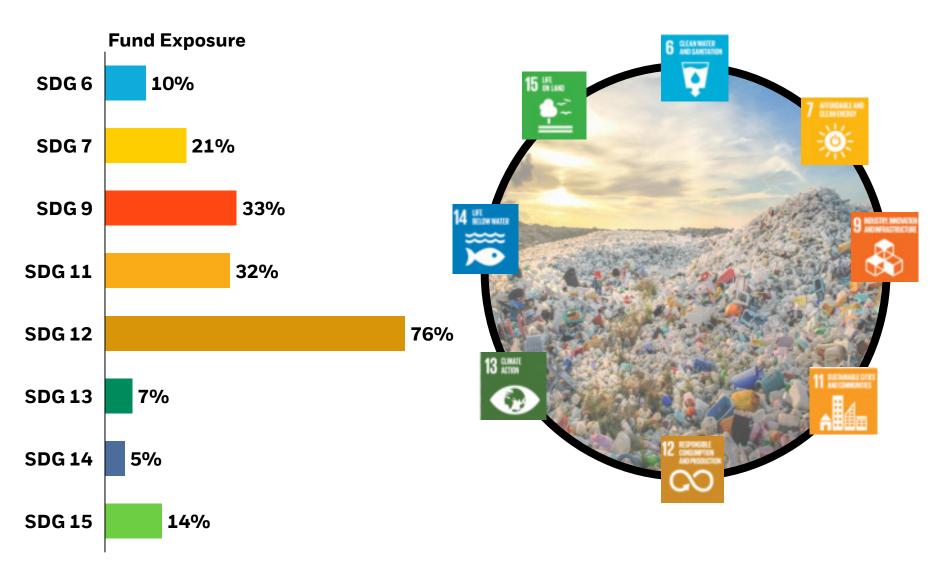
#### Performance (A Share Class, Net %, USD)



The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current or future results and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Source: BlackRock, performance shown as at end June 2021 in USD on a NAV prices basis with income re-invested. Performance figures are calculated net of annual fees. The Fund is actively managed The IA has discretion to select the Fund's investments and is not constrained by any benchmark in this process The MSCI All Countries World Index should be used by investors to compare the performance of the Fund.. \*Inception date: 02/10/2019

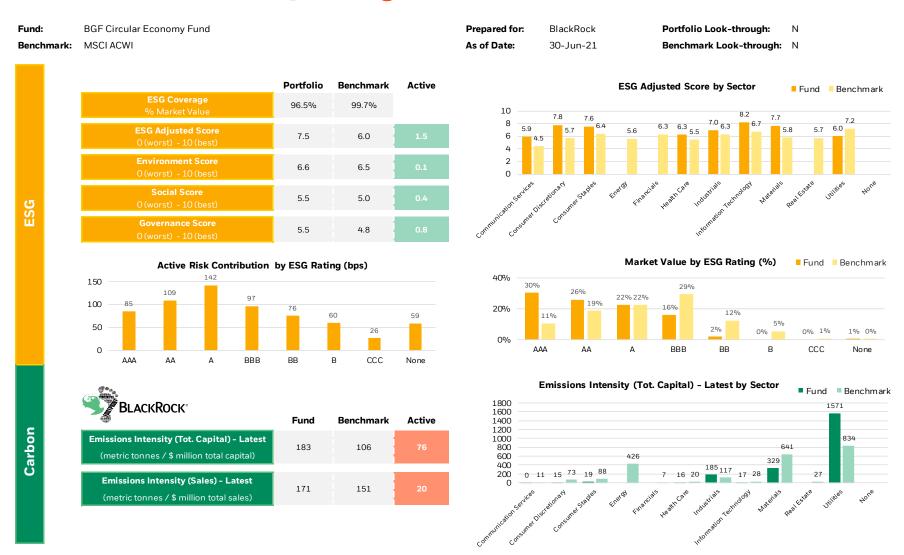


#### Alignment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



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#### **Carbon and ESG Reporting**



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# Why BlackRock for Circular Economy?



#### **Ability to define the universe**

The Fund is launched with the Ellen MacArthur Foundation as a Knowledge Partner



#### Disciplined investment approach

Returns-focussed portfolio construction approach to provide risk-controlled exposure to the theme



#### **Long-term focused**

We believe the circular economy theme will drive structural change over the coming decade, but also provide shorter term investment opportunities



#### **Research Expertise**

Leveraging ~180 research analysts on BlackRock's global research platform in order to maximise our opportunity set and investment insights.

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#### **Risk Warnings**

**Capital at risk.** The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

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Changes in the rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to diminish or increase. Fluctuation may be particularly marked in the case of a higher volatility fund and the value of an investment may fall suddenly and substantially. Levels and basis of taxation may change from time to time.

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#### **Fund Specific Risks**

#### **BGF Circular Economy**

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**Smaller companies risk:** Shares in smaller companies typically trade in less volume and experience greater price variations than larger companies.

**Equity Risk**: The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events.

**Emerging markets** are generally more sensitive to economic and political conditions than developed markets. Other factors include greater 'Liquidity Risk', restrictions on investment or transfer of assets and failed/delayed delivery of securities or payments to the Fund.

Currency Risk: The Fund invests in other currencies. Changes in exchange rates will therefore affect the value of the investment.

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